

## 9 FAM Appendix C, FRANCE

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### RECIPROCITY

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Class	Fee	No. Applications	Validity
A-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
A-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
A-3 [1]	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
B-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
B-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
B-1/B-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
C-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
C-1/D	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
C-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
C-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
D	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
E-1 [2]	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
E-2 [2]	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
F-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
F-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-5 [1]	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
H-1B	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
H-1C	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
H-2A	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
H-2B	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
H-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
H-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
I	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
J-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
J-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
K-1	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
K-2	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
K-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
K-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
L-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
L-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
M-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
M-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
N-8	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
N-9	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
NATO 1-7	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
O-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]

O-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
O-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
P-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
P-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
P-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
P-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3] [A]
Q-1 [6]	NONE	MULTIPLE	15 MONTHS [3] [A]
R-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
R-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
S-5 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
S-6 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
S-7 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
T-1 [9]	N/A	N/A	N/A
T-2	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
T-3	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
T-4	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
TD [5]	N/A	N/A	N/A
V-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
V-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS [8]
V-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS [8]

**NOTE:** *The euro/dollar rate for Consular fees is fixed at EUR 1.00/\$1. This rate should be use for all United States Consular fees paid in euros. Please do not use the daily market rate or any other rate.*

## SPECIAL CLEARANCE AND ISSUANCE PROCEDURES

(TL:VISA-176; 02-06-1998)

Clearance requests in immigrant visa cases must be sent not only to the consular post located in the applicant's area of residence, but also to the U.S. Embassy.

Clearance requests in nonimmigrant visa cases need only be sent to the office concerned. Clearance requests involving outside checks require one month for French Guiana cases, two months for Guadeloupe, and three to four months for Martinique.

Posts with CLASS capability should not send clearance requests to Paris unless a CLASS check indicates derogatory information on file there.

## DOCUMENTS AND RECORDS

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**NOTE:** If it is claimed that an original record was made in a territory devastated during the war, positive proof of the non-existence of the record may be obtained from the appropriate authorities in the form of a letter or certificate.

The form of a document often varies according to the district in which it is issued. Documents are sometimes typed, but frequently written in long-hand, and all of them, except military discharges, bear appropriate fee stamps, as well as the signature and seal of the issuing authority. Fraud in the issuance of such documents is rare.

The foregoing information applies to all departments of France, regardless of location.

## **Police Record**

*(TL:VISA-176; 02-06-1998)*

Available. Extraits de Casier Judiciaire may be obtained by any person, regardless of nationality, who has resided in France at any time, provided such residence occurred after the age of 15 years. Persons born in France may obtain the certificates from the Greffe du Tribunal de Grande Instance at their place of birth. Persons born outside of France may obtain them from the Ministere de la Justice, Casier Judiciaire Central, 23 Allee d'Orleans, 44 - Nantes.

The applicant should furnish his or her full name and any other names (including maiden), by which known, date and place of birth, father's full name, mother's maiden and married names, and place of residence.

## **Court Record**

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Available except for convictions which have been amnestied. The "jugement" states the essential facts of the case and gives the conviction and sentence imposed, but is not a description of the entire court proceedings. If further information is required, the "grosse de jugement" should be requested. Both documents may be obtained from the Greffe du Tribunal or Palais de Justice where the conviction took place.

## **Military Record**

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Available. A military record (Certificat de Position Militaire for the Army and the Air Force and Etat Signaletique des Services for the Navy) is available to all adult male French citizens whether or not military service has been performed. The request should be accompanied by a self-addressed envelope and a money order to cover the return postage.

Military records for the Army and the Air Force are obtainable from the Bureau de Recrutement et de la Statistique of the military district to which the person was called to report for military service, and for the Navy from the Ministere de la Marine, Paris, in the case of officers and from the Bureau Maritime du Matricule, Toulon, Var, in the case of enlisted men.

Military records are not available to persons who are not liable to military service. In the case of a person exempted from military service, the medical report can be obtained only if the personal doctor of the applicant contacts the doctor (majeur) of the Bureau de Recrutement where the applicant received his exemption.

## **Birth Certificate**

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Available.

For persons born in France, 'Extraits de Naissance' are obtainable from la Mairie (Office of the Mayor) at the place of birth.

For French nationals born in a foreign country, they are available from the Ministere des Affaires Etrangeres, Service de l'Etat Civil, 20 Allee Brancas, 44 - Nantes.

For French nationals born in a French colony, they may be obtained from the Direction des Archives de France, Section Outre-Mer, 5 Bd. Barthelemy, BP 1056, 44035 Cedex Nantes

A request for a certificate should contain the applicant's full name at the time of birth; date and place of birth; father's full name; mother's full name at the time of the applicant's birth and the applicant's place of residence. A request should be accompanied by a self-addressed (unstamped) envelope.

## **Marriage Certificate**

*(TL:VISA-176; 02-06-1998)*

Available. (Extrait d'Acte de Marriage) May be obtained from the office of the Mayor (la Mairie) of the town in which the marriage took place. A request for such record should be accompanied by a self-addressed envelope and an amount sufficient to cover return postage. Payment for the return postage should be by money order.

## **Divorce Certificate**

*(TL:VISA-176; 02-06-1998)*

Available. (Extrait de Divorce) The document is obtainable from the Office of the Mayor (la Mairie) where the marriage took place. A request for this record should be accompanied by a self-addressed envelope and an amount sufficient to cover return postage.

Copies of Divorce Judgment (Jugement de Divorce) may be obtained from the Greffe du Tribunal Civil where the judgment was pronounced. A request for a Divorce Judgment should be accompanied by a self-addressed envelope and an amount sufficient to cover postage. Payment for the Judgment de Divorce and the return postage should be made by money order.

## **Death Certificate**

*(TL:VISA-176; 02-06-1998)*

Available. (Acte de Deces) The document is obtainable from the Office of the Mayor (la Mairie) of the place where the death occurred. A request for such record should be accompanied by a self-addressed envelope and an amount sufficient to cover return postage. Payment for the return postage should be made by money order.

## **Adoption Certificate**

*(TL:VISA-176; 02-06-1998)*

Available. ('Droit de Greffe') The document is obtainable from the Court (Tribunal de Grande Instance or Tribunal du Domicile) where the adoption was granted. Payment outside of France should be made by an international postal money order and should include return postage. A self-addressed envelope should be included.

## **Passports - Information on Travel Documents**

### **Titre de Voyage**

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(Convention of July 28, 1951). The French document for refugees resident in France whose status is covered by the Geneva Convention of July 28, 1951, is written in French and English. The former "Titre d'Identite et de Voyage" requiring a return visa is now issued only to a very limited number of stateless residents or to refugees who are not covered by the Convention. Issuance of Nansen passports and types of "Titre d'Identite et de Voyage" other than the aforementioned have been discontinued.

## **VISA ISSUING POSTS**

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Paris (E) All Categories

**Address:** 2, rue Saint-Florentin

75382 Paris Cedex 08

**Telephone:** 01-43-12-22-22

## **GEOGRAPHIC AREAS SERVICED**

*(TL:VISA-176; 02-06-1998)*

All of France except Martinique, Guadeloupe (including St. Martin and St. Barthelemy), and French Guiana are serviced at the U.S. Embassy in Bridgetown, Barbados.